AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

The following remarks show where support is found in the specification for the amended claims 38, 39, and 40.

Exogenous LBP dosage range

Figures 1: *In vitro,* the effective serum concentration range of exogenous LBP is from 0.1 to 10 μg/mL.

Figures 2: *In vitro,* the effective serum concentration range of exogenous LBP is from 1 to 10 μg/mL.

Figure 3: *In vitro,* the effective serum concentration of exogenous LBP is 1 μg/mL.

Figure 4: *In vivo,* the effective serum concentration range of exogenous LBP is 100 μg, which is about 50 to 150 μg/mL serum concentration for a typical laboratory mouse.

Please also see Figure 7C of R. Schumann et al.'s publication in Blood, Vol. 98, No. 13, Dec, 15, 2001. The clinical result shows the rapid suppression at a serum concentration range of 1-10 μg/mL and continue suppression from 10 to 100 μg/mL in human, and the serum concentration of LBL in a patient with severe sepsis or septic shock could reach from 3.74 to 275 μg/mL (page 3 results section).

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